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BARGAIN WEDNESDAY**Special Prices on Staple and Standard Merchandise**

Persian Challies, new patterns, soft, pretty cloth, Wednesday special, yd. **43c**
 58-inch, full bleached table Damask worth 35c yd. Special price this 1 day **19c**

Honiton Voiles, a fine sheer fabric for summer wear, worth 20c yard—Bargain Day special, yard. **10c**
 Brilliant Silk, 42 ins. wide, a fine half-silk fabric in rose, navy and pink; worth 50c yard; special, yard **39c**

Barnaby Zephyr Suitings, prettily woven (not printed) patterns, fast colors regular price 18 yd., Wednesday special, yard. **9c**
 Lace Curtains in Arabian and white; 3 yards long, good width; our regular \$1.00 sellers—Bargain day, pair. **79c**

Special Embroidery for Bargain Wednesday—an extra fine, wide assortment at **5c**

Very Special—Yard wide, full bleached Victory Muslin, worth 10c yard—not more than 20 yards to a customer at this price. Bargain Wednesday. **7 1/2c**
 Ladies' all-wool Suits, two styles, new striped effects; coat 32 inches length; self-trimmed with straps or covers; buttons of the same material; lined with satin Venetian lace—Bargain for this special day. **\$7.75**

Fine Sheer Swiss, plain white—worth 10c and 12c yard—special, yard. **5c**
 Children's Hose—Double knee, all sizes—special, 4 pair for **25c**

Where there is always a Bargain

Crockett's

No telephone orders accepted for these Specials

HOUSEWARMING TONIGHT

Commercial Club Will Dedicate Its New Rooms.

Tonight is the night at the Topeka Commercial club when the opening of the new quarters will be celebrated with a "housewarming" from 8 to 11 o'clock, to which function every man in Topeka is cordially invited. The programme will consist of a few short, extemporaneous talks by members of the club and some of the guests, and Hall's orchestra will furnish music during the evening. A buffet lunch will also be served.

It is the desire of the officers and members of the Commercial club that every citizen of Topeka may attend the "housewarming" tonight and inspect the new quarters. Those visitors who can remain throughout the evening will be welcome to do so, but it is hoped that all the men in the city may attend the "housewarming" if only for a few minutes.

CHANGES SONS' NAMES.

King Peter Makes Arrangement for Succession to Throne.

Belgrade, March 30.—King Peter issued a ukase today changing the names of his sons. The step is taken to provide for the names of George as the head of the house of Karageorgievich. The former crown prince, George, who last week renounced his rights to the throne, will henceforth be known as Alexander, while Alexander, George's younger brother, who has been recognized as crown prince, will be known as George.

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DOWNES WILL GO.

Smooths Out Differences With Minneapolis Management.

Jerome Downes, or "Red" as he is better known to the Topeka baseball public will leave Topeka tonight with the Washington team for Omaha, and from there will go to Des Moines to join the Minneapolis team which he will play during the coming season.

Just what Red would do during the coming season has been a perplexing problem to all the fans and more especially to Red himself. Last fall it was known that he would not be with Detroit again this season. Detroit tried to work a trade by which Red would go to New York in the Eastern league, but Manager Jennings was unable to secure waivers on the former Topekan.

At the annual meeting of the American league which was held in Chicago in early February, the sale of Red to the Chicago White Sox was negotiated. On the last day of February Red rejected a contract from Comiskey which was satisfactory in every way and he promptly signed it and returned it to Chicago.

Chicago decided to farm Red to the Minneapolis team in the American association. A few days later Mike Cantillon, manager of the Minneapolis team, forwarded another contract to Red which called for \$350 less than his Chicago contract. It is generally understood in baseball that when one club loans a player to another club the club which uses the player shall live up to the contract with the club owning the player. Red did not like the cut and consequently sent his contract back to Cantillon unsigned. This was the end of the matter until this morning when everything was smoothed over.

Gair and Kern reported late this afternoon, but were not in suits. Both will be ready to work out tomorrow although it is unlikely that either will accompany the team to Kansas City.

GREETED BY WIRELESS.

Roosevelt Receives Welcoming Messages From Rome.

Rome, March 30.—The report of an attempt to assassinate Theodore Roosevelt, is published here today and has aroused feelings of anger and consternation.

Premier Giolitti and Foreign Minister Tittoni were informed of the attempt. They expressed profound sorrow and said they hoped there was some mistake in the nationality of the criminal. The following message of welcome from Cardinal Satolli, former papal delegate to the United States and Ernest Nathan, the mayor of Rome, have been dispatched by wireless telegraph to Theodore Roosevelt on board the steamer Hamburg.

Cardinal Satolli said:

"Recalling the cordial reception given me at the White House, I send you my cordial greetings and congratulations on your glorious administration of the presidency of the United States, my wishes that you may have a happy journey, and my hopes of meeting you personally in Rome before you return to America."

Senator Nathan's greetings were as follows:

"To Theodore Roosevelt, the worthy successor of Washington and Lincoln and the champion of truth and fearless integrity, today told President Taft that he would remain in his present position if his health permitted."

Luupp Will Keep His Job.
 Washington, March 30.—Francis Luupp, commissioner for Indian affairs, today told President Taft that he would remain in his present position if his health permitted.

CITY HALL NEWS.

City of Topeka Threatened With Litigation Suit.

Unless Kaw Paving Company Is Bonded or Prohibited.

MAYOR DOESN'T FEAR.

Says That He Has Confidence in Local Concern.

Other Items of Interest From City Building.

According to the warning sent out by the Kansas Bitulithic company of Kansas City, the city of Topeka is in danger of being the defendant in a big litigation suit amounting to at least a \$30,000 loss unless the Kaw Paving company, a local concern, gives up its right to the laying of asphaltic concrete paving or furnishes a bond amounting to \$30,000.

This information came to Mayor Green and City Attorney Drenning today and it came in the form of a long, two typewritten page communication filled with reviews of suits, information as to patents and warnings of all kinds.

It seems that the Kaw Paving company, organized in Topeka not long ago is taking contracts in Topeka and other cities for the laying of asphaltic concrete paving. This paving is a new mixture with an invention which is unknown. It is claimed by the "father" of the local concern, a man named Blake, and it is claimed by a certain Warren Brothers of Boston, Mass. As a result cities all over the country have been between two concerns and litigation suits and patent rights have been fought over at an immense cost.

Topeka has granted to the Kaw Paving company the right and contract to pave College avenue from Huntington to Fifteenth street and Mulvane street with the same limit. Before the contract was granted the patent rights and supreme court decisions were examined by the city attorney, the city engineer and the mayor of the city. They found matters satisfactory and tonight at council meeting it is expected that the awarding will be made.

The Kaw company claims that Warren Brothers did not secure their patent until long after their company laid paving. It seems that the heads of the Kaw company have been laying this kind of paving for years and not until recently has the Boston concern secured the patent right to a paving almost the same.

The Kansas City firm in their letter to this city does not threaten the city with a suit at present but they advise that Topeka make the local paving company put up a bond of \$30,000 which would cover the costs of a litigation suit. They then end up with the thought that it would be a good plan to put them out of the city.

The whole matter looks to the city officials like a "sour grapes" affair. Kansas Bitulithic company was given a chance to bid on the Topeka paving and they were asked to come and live up to the specifications. But they refused, saying that the small amount of paving would cost them more to enter the field. All this time, however, they have tried to force out the local company.

Mayor Green said this morning that he had little fear of the threats of the Kansas City company. He said that the local concern had given the city enough assurance to feel safe awarding the contract and the letter would be placed on file, so to speak.

City Attorney Drenning called it a "bluff." He said: "This Kaw Paving company securely tied with a big enough bond to cover all costs if anything happens. We are giving them the regular bond with an addition of patent rights, etc. This will make the city feel on the safe side and we have nothing to fear."

The bond on the company at the present time is \$2,400 according to the mayor, and he says that this is all that is necessary. The city attorney is under the impression that a man named Blake will be necessary. If the bond was \$30,000 the local company could not afford to bid at \$1.39 a yard and the cost to the city for this kind of paving would be almost as much. The matter is left to reason.

There will be a special meeting of the council at 7 o'clock this evening just before the regular adjourned meeting at 7:30 to allow the taxpayers on the new paving and Washburn sewer bids to raise an objection if they wish on the reports of the appraisers. At the last awarding a special meeting was held in this manner and nothing happened. Mayor Green has been making extensive selections in his appraisers and the people are entirely satisfied. Another reason for the lack of objections this year is the fact that the city never received such reasonable bids on the sewer work. The competition has lowered them to the smallest "velvet." Some of the bids were so low that the petitioners who wanted third class paving at first on first class afterwards saying that the difference between their guess and the real figures surprised them into submission to the best.

At a meeting of the public improvements committee last night all the bids for paving, guttering and the like were carefully gone over and when the meeting adjourned it was resolved to present to the council tonight the recommendation that John Ritchie should receive the big majority of the thirty blocks of paving to be constructed, as the second "batch," this spring and summer. Ritchie's bid was first grade, \$1.39; second grade, \$1.24; curb and gutter, 44 cents per six inch and 47 cents for nine inch. The Kaw Paving company will pave College avenue and Mulvane with asphaltic

Oh! That Awful Gas

Did you hear it? How embarrassing. These stomach noises make you wish you could sink through the floor. You imagine everyone hears them. Keep a box of CASCARETS in your purse or pocket and take a part of one after eating. It will relieve the stomach of gas.

CASCARETS like a box for a week's treatment. All druggists. Biggest seller in the world—million boxes a month.

concrete for \$1.39 a yard—much lower than was expected by the city engineer. W. W. Gilmore will receive the contract for the sewer out near Washburn college. These contracts be awarded at the adjourned meeting of the council tonight.

The idea of spending a vast amount of money on the country parks—especially Gage park, does not appeal to some of the officials at the city hall. Not long ago the report came out that the park commissioners would spend thousands of dollars at the big park four miles west of the city and a storm of objections was raised once by these officials. They take the matter this way—the only people who can take advantage of the suburb park are those who have carriages or automobiles. The rest of the park should be those situated within the city limits—those that can be visited by people after a short walk or by street car. It was pointed out that people with the conveyances are able to go out in the woods, along the river and take little outings of their own without the city park. While the people in the city who are really in need of the shade and the water are those who are not able to get them.

There is no anxiety for a jealous controversy but it was stated yesterday that J. C. Dolman of the North side was responsible for the suggestion that willows be planted along the dikes in order that the floods would not damage the loose soil. It will be remembered that Street Commissioner Gilmore was given to note this suggestion in technical form a long time ago and it was printed in full in these columns. The willow proposition is receiving staunch support from every source.

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According to the plans of Councilman H. B. Howard tomorrow afternoon is the official test day for the proposed ordinance. At this time Judge S. S. Urmy, Chief Eaton and others will be taken out on a tour over the city to judge the merits of the proposed ordinance. Chief Eaton says that there might as well be no ordinance as allow the motorists to go 20 miles an hour. Mayor Green says that it is almost impossible for some cars to go eight miles an hour and he is in favor of making some kind of a compromise. Alderman Horn, the only automobile owner in the council, thinks it very foolish to require a motorist to grind his wheels down to eight miles. To tell the truth there are not very many people who are really radically against the 12 and 20 mile limit, if it is to be made a law. Then it is the 30 and 40 mile clips that people kick about.

The election from the election commission as to the fence is as quiet as ever. Captain Titus said this morning that tomorrow the clerks and judges would come to his office for their signature to bid on the fence. He was going to come up in the form of news. The final registrations returns have not been figured out but they will amount to about 13,100. This is 600 more than the registration when the total was about 12,500. The registration signifies the lack of interest and it is not expected that one-third of the voters will vote. The Democrats are working hard for their candidates but the work is simply giving them practice, according to those who claim to know.

"We could not find a better man for fire marshal if we canvassed this whole western country," said Mayor William Green this morning as he brought his mighty fist down upon his desk. "I don't feel right over this talk about putting another man in his place. Chief Wilmarth is advanced in years but not enough to warrant any change whatever. No, sir, Topeka has her first and only fire marshal and she will continue to have him as far as I am concerned." And the reporter stole out of the office thinking that possibly he might find something sometime that reflected upon the popular fire marshal—and if he did it was without thought.

Through a letter of recommendation from the city Attorney Frank Drenning, the Kaw Paving company of this city was able to land a big contract at Emporia. Thus "the powers that be."

People who have been misinformed as to the real value of the first class paving have been calling upon Mayor Green in his office all day today. Some of them telephoned and asked that they might get out another petition for the first class material. Tonight the contracts are awarded and there is a little time for the people to get busy. The council meets at 7:30 and if the petitions are handed to the city clerk before this time and they are approved the deed will be done.

Dr. Roby, who has been reformed from the second to the first class and who has been interested in it since the first time he spoke to the State Journal reporter this morning concerning the sanitary advantages of the first class.

The sentiment is practically unanimous in favor of the best. I took the trouble to interview every resident property owner on that part of the street that is in extreme danger of two of them expressed a strong desire to have first class paving in every particular, and they signed up a petition to that effect, which is now on file with the city clerk. A number of the signers on that petition are property owners who a short time ago signed a petition for the sand filler.

The sand filler is the most unsanitary and unhealthful material that can be used. The sand and the other kind, the asphalt filler, is the most sanitary and healthful material that can be used.

The sand when wet absorbs all kinds of filth, manure and other vile materials and holds it until it decomposes. It is a very bad way to cure the skin. The best skin specialists today are agreed that the only way to cure the skin is through the skin. For statistics show that nearly all eczema sufferers are perfectly healthy in all other ways except as to the skin. And if the eczema patients were really suffering from an internal malady, the entire body and not only the skin would be diseased.

We have now handled this meritorious and thoroughly scientific remedy for so long and have seen its reliable results so many times that we freely express our confidence. Geo. W. Stansfeld, 632 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kan.

LIFE OF A PIMPLE.

Complexions Are Cleared and Pimples Disappear Overnight Without Trouble.

The dispensers of poslam, a new skin discovery, ask that notice be given that no one is urged to purchase it without first obtaining an experimental package. Those who have tried it will find that the fifty-cent box, on sale at F. A. Snow's and all drug stores, is sufficient to cure the worst cases of eczema, where the surface affected is not too large. The itching ceases on first application. It will also cure acne, tetter, and other forms of itchy, including itching eczema, red, flesh-colored and containing no grease, the presence of poslam on exposed surfaces, such as the face and hands, is not perceptible. Water and soap cannot be used in connection with it as these irritate and prolong skin troubles, sometimes evening causing them.

As to the experimental package of poslam, it can be had free of charge by mail of the Emergency Laboratories, 32 West Twenty-fifth Street, New York. It alone is sufficient to clear a complexion overnight, and to rid the face of pimples in twenty-four hours.

all of the paving he would have none. This made it necessary for the committee to decide that it was either up to Ritchie or Gilmore, because if part of the contract was given to one the other would not work on any of it. The third bidder, Ramsey, was so high above these two that it was useless to consider him in the game.

Therefore it was necessary for the committee in conference with the city engineer and the mayor to figure out the square yards, lineal feet, etc., of every bit of the paving, gutter rolling, grading, etc. This was a mammoth task. It resulted that Ritchie received the contract bidding just \$300 less than Gilmore, Gilmore was \$600 less than Ritchie on the guttering, etc., and Ritchie was \$300 less than Gilmore on the paving. This made the difference. It developed that, at the present writing there will be 3,077 square yards of alley paving of the No. 2 quality, 7,316 square yards of street paving of the No. 3 class, 10,964 of the No. 2 and 15,621 of the No. 1. But the No. 1 petitions are coming in all the time—thus making the No. 2 figures dwindle to a small figure.

Mayor Green has received a letter from the National Peace Congress of Chicago which will be held from May 2 to May 5, appointing him an honorary member of the congress. This is an honor only bestowed upon men of high position and influence.

ENDS IN NOTHING.

Della "Murder" Case Is Dropped by the Officers.

After having made a thorough investigation of every phase of the case the county authorities are as much in the dark as ever as to the parents of the baby which was devoured by dogs near Della. One thing is certain and that is that the woman whom the gossips of that section connected with the case was wrongly accused. A number of clues yet remain and they will be followed down though the indications at the present time are that the murderer of the child, if there was one, will never be known.

Even should the mother of the child be located there is grave doubt whether a charge of murder could be placed against her unless other evidence is obtained that the child was alive at the time of its birth. All trace of the remains have been devoured by the dogs which unearthed them and the mangled remains were not closely examined by the three or four persons who saw them.

SNOW IN KANSAS.

Heavy Fall Is Reported in Western Part of the State.

Hutchinson, Kan., March 30.—A heavy fall of snow is reported throughout western Kansas and eastern Colorado today. The precipitation will be of great value to wheat. Shortly before noon snow began to fall here, the thermometer, however, registered 40 degrees, and it melted as soon as it reached the ground.

Our paint is right, we sell it right. The J. K. Jones Paint Co.

Taft Needs No Help.

He Will Attend to Appointment of Federal Judges Himself.

Washington, March 30.—President Taft again today stated to callers that he did not consider the appointment of judges to be a part of the patronage of United States senators. The president thinks that judicial appointments should be free from political influences. He considers himself to be competent to pass upon the fitness of them for the office and he would be glad to receive suggestions from senators and representatives as their knowledge of qualifications of an applicant.

The president has several federal judgeships to fill in the near future and has received many calls from senators and representatives from the districts where the vacancies exist.

ECZEMA CURED IN SIMPLE WAY

No More Dosing the Stomach—Cure the Skin Through the Skin.

When you have a scratch on your hand you wash it out and cleanse it and then the skin cures itself.

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Our Button Stock Is Great—A thousand styles and kinds to show you. Buttons will be used very extensively for decorations, in many instances practically superseding braids even. Our stock contains all the staple and standard kinds, as well as the fads, fancies and novelties.

Ladies' Hair Goods

Hair Switches—Fine full switch, natural wave—**\$2.25**
 Better Switches **\$3 to \$5**

Hair Crowns—Large, 3-puff crowns—**\$1.00**
 A still better one, nicely made—**\$2.25**

"Palmolive" Soap—A most wonderful soap, made from pure oil of the palm and olive, blended with cocoa butter. This soap is recommended for the face and hands, for massage, for the bath, for baby, for wrinkles, for manicuring, for shampoo, for pimples and skin eruptions. Try it—only 10c a cake.

We'll sell a pound can of Wilbert's Queen Quality Violet Talcum (guaranteed under the Pure Food and Drug act) for **25c**

SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY

Sliced Pineapple... 2 pound can for 15c
 We will have a can open for your inspection.

Calumet Baking Powder, 1-lb. can for 18c

Extra Fancy Sweet Oranges, per peck 40c
 These oranges are superior to any sold in the city this year.

Uncle Sam Breakfast Food, per pkg., 20c

Hamburger Steak.....per pound 10c

Topeka Club Coffee.....per pound 25c

Equal to any coffee sold in the city at 39c, 35c or 40c per pound.

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Facts and not talk. Honest business methods.

J. THOMAS LUMBER CO.**HEALTH MEN HERE.**

Will Decide What to Do About Inspecting Hotels.

The state board of health is holding its quarterly meeting at the state house this afternoon and will continue the sessions until tomorrow. The board has a number of important matters up for consideration at this meeting, among them the act for the inspection of hotels passed by the last legislature which gives the board additional powers as regards sanitation and cleanliness. The board will also select an additional food and a drug inspector from the six successful applicants who passed the civil service examination last week for the places.

F. T. Tilford of Olathe, the only drug inspector now at the disposal of the board, came in to attend the meeting. Mr. Tilford has held his present place for two years and has been on the go all the time. He has the entire state for his territory and during his two years of service has covered his territory just once, which emphasizes the need of an additional drug inspector.

He has visited every town in the state of Kansas in the performance of his duty and has inspected about eighteen hundred drug stores.

Woman Shot Him Four Times. Antrim, Okla., March 30.—Dr. William Ader, a dentist, was shot four times last night by Harriet Pace, a full blood Chickasaw Indian, at Madoka, Okla., and died today of his wounds. The woman was given a preliminary hearing this afternoon. She alleges that Ader attacked her and that she fired in self defense.

Paint, Topeka made, paint sold right. The J. K. Jones Paint Co.

Cotton Market.
 New York, March 30.—COTTON—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 29.50; middling gulf, 28.50. No sales.
 Galveston, Tex., March 30.—COTTON—Market steady. 29 1/2-30.

WHITLAS GO AWAY.

Bunch of Threatening Letters Turned Over to the Authorities.

Sharon, Pa., March 30.—The Whitla family left here today en route for Atlantic City. Before going away Mr. Whitla turned twenty-five threatening letters over to the postal authorities. These letters have been received yesterday and today.

One letter states that unless Mr. Whitla uses every effort to free the prisoners his home will be dynamited. A second letter demands that \$5,000 be deposited at some point in Ohio, which money, it is stated, will be used to defend the Boyles.

Suicide on a Train.

Jackson, Mich., March 30.—A man supposed to be J. W. Schwab, of Chicago, shot and killed himself this afternoon on westbound Michigan Central train No. 9 near Kalamazoo.

New York Money Market.
 New York, March 30.—MONEY—Money on call easy, 15c; per cent; ruling rate, 2 closing bid 1 1/2, offered 1 1/2. Time loans, quiet and steady; 90 days, 3 1/2 per cent; 60 days, 3 1/4 per cent; 30 days, 3 1/4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.86 1/2 for 60 day bills and at \$4.87 1/2 for demand; commercial, \$4.85 1/2; Mexican dollars, 46c.

Gold and Silver.
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